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U.S. Application of:

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MEDIUM STORING AN IMAGE SEARCHING  
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AMENDMENT

This Amendment is filed in response to the Office Action dated July 3, 2001, which provides for a response period ending October 3, 2001.

A petition to extend the period for response to the Office Action dated July 3, 2001, by one month to November 3, 2001 (since November 3, 2001 is a Saturday, it is permissible to file on Monday, November 5, 2001), is being submitted herewith.

Amendments to the title, specification, and claims are presented herein, along with a complete set of pending claims, as amended, in clean form. Also, an Appendix